

City of San Diego
Parks and Recreation Department
San Ysidro Community Recreation Group
Meeting Minutes
November 8, 2021

“WE ENRICH LIVES THROUGH QUALITY PARKS AND PROGRAMS”

Meeting Held at:

San Ysidro Community Activity Center
179 Diza Road
San Ysidro, CA 92173

Mailing Address is:

179 Diza Road
San Ysidro, CA 92173

Members Present:

Felipe Muro
Martin Ortega
Juan Lopez
Ricky Duran
Rosa Ruesga

City Staff:

Jennifer Vaupel, Recreation Center Director OCA
Mari Jo Ricanor Recreation Center Director
Erek Estrada, Area Manager
Carlos Lacarra, Community Relations, San Diego Police
Gerardo Ramirez, Representative, Council District 8

Guests:

Feliza Sandoval
Maria Ruiz
Stanford Marison

Members Absent:

David Guerrero
Ricardo Herrera

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Felipe Muro called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Introductions were made around the table for those in attendance.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 11, 2021 MINUTES:

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (R. Duran/ M. Ortega) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstention.

FORMAL REQUEST FOR MEMBERSHIP:

None

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE:

None

COMMUNICATIONS: (Limited to items not on the agenda. Each one will be limited to three minutes and is not debatable)

Feliza Sandoval and Maria Ruiz requested information from staff regarding room availability to hold Ballet Folklorico class. They were instructed to schedule a meeting with site supervisors to discuss further.

CITY OF SAN DIEGO MAYOR’S REPORT:

None

COUNCIL DISTRICT 8 REPORT:

Council Representative Gerardo Ramirez reported on behalf of Councilwoman Vivian Moreno's office:

- City's Environmental Services department is offering sidewalk sanitation services.
- City's Code Enforcement is working with CD8 regarding illegal dumps along San Ysidro Boulevard.
- SANDAG board approved 'Transit Equity Pilot Program'. All youth under the age of 18 will have access to free transit rides for one year from March 2022 to March 2023.
- The San Ysidro Adult School is offering FREE English as a Second Language and Citizenship classes.

SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT COMMUNITY RELATIONS REPORT:

Community Relations Officer Carlos Lacarra reported the following:

- Reported several incidents of assault, burglaries, and car thefts in the Otay Mesa area.
- Officers assisted at several recreation centers around Southern Division with Halloween events. He thanked recreation sites who donated leftover candy treats to officers for distribution during patrol shifts.
- 'Coffee with a cop' scheduled for November 22 at Starbucks on Dennery Road from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT:

None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mari Jo Ricanor informed members Robert Lara will email a copy of the latest reports with next month's agenda and minutes.

BOARDMEMBER COMMENT:

None

SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

- Ricky Duran of Atlante FC reported the league scheduled to end their fall season on November 6. Teams will then prepare for State Cup.
- Felipe Muro of Comsports reported that the organization is planning Villa Bowl 2022. He will coordinate with park staff on securing dates and field availability.

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS REPORTS:

None

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF REPORT:

Recreation Center Director Mari Jo Ricanor reported the following for Cesar Chavez Community Center:

- A Drive Thru Halloween Event took place on October 27. Staff distributed 340 candy treat bags. Staff thanked SDPD and CD8 staff for volunteering during the event.
- Free youth dinner service is offered Monday through Friday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for youth ages 18 and younger. Service will run until the beginning of summer.
- Staff is currently coaching 10 & under and 12 & under flag football teams at South Bay Recreation Center. The playoffs will start November 17.
- Staff is coaching a Pee Wee flag football team at Silverwing Recreation Center with league ending November 18.
- Staff is offering Adult Aerobics classes Tuesdays and Thursdays in the gym from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

- The annual Turkey Trot event will be held on November 23 at 12:00 p.m. at Larsen Field.
- Toys for Tots registration are ongoing and will end on December 9.

Assistant Recreation Center Director Jennifer Vaupel reported the following for San Ysidro Community Activity Center:

- Staff held a drive-up Halloween event on October 26. Staff distributed 300 treat & activity bags. Staff also handed out program guides and registered families for Toys for Tots.
- Staff will begin registering for youth basketball at the end of flag football season.
- Staff is coaching a 17 & under volleyball team at Martin Luther King Jr. Recreation Center on Thursdays.
- Staff is coaching a 12 & under flag football team on Wednesdays at South Bay Recreation Center.
- Marissa's dance classes resumed on Wednesdays this month and are conducted outdoors.
- Staff is currently holding a Virtual Yoga class on Mondays.
- Staff is accepting Toys for Tots registrations until November 19. Currently, staff has registered 40 families.
- Staff distributed Parks and Recreation paid internship opportunities flyers. The flyer includes information on an upcoming virtual Job Fair to be held November 17.

Area Manager Erek Estrada reported on the following for the San Ysidro area:

- Reported the recent promotions of Parks and Recreation personnel for the classifications of Recreation Center Directors and Assistant Recreation Center Directors.
- Assistant Recreation Center Director Jennifer Vaupel has accepted a job in Peoria Arizona and her last day will be November 19.
- Enrique Duran is the new District Manager for District 42 and will start his new assignment on November 2.
- Grounds Maintenance staff are working on a beautification landscaping project surrounding Vista Terrace Pool. Completion date is November 11.
- Beautification landscaping projects are also taking place at Vista Pacifica Neighborhood Park, Larsen Field and San Ysidro Community Park.
- A sinkhole was discovered in the area of the Fruit tree project at SYCP. Repairs are being made and should be completed in a couple weeks.
- San Ysidro Teen Center is nearly completed. Furnishings and recreation equipment have been ordered.
- Albert Hara is the interim District Manager, OCA for District 42.
- Beyer project continues to discuss vehicle access road for the first phase of park development.
- Staff is working closely with SDPD to address the recent memorial vigil/mural at the SYCP. Several illegal incidents have occurred which has delayed the process of removing the memorial. Staff will be notified by SDPD when the area is safe for clean up and removal of memorial items.
- Requested feedback from CRG to decide if meetings will be held in person or virtually.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. FY23 RCF Budget- San Ysidro Community Activity Center
2. FY23 RCF Budget- Cesar Chavez Community Center

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (R. Duran/ R. Ruesga) to accept Items #1 and #2 as presented. The motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstention.

3. CRG meetings will go dark on December and January 2022. Meetings will resume February 2022.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. Slate of Officers
2. Length of office term

MOTION: It was moved /seconded (M. Ortega/ R. Ruesga) to accept Martin Ortega as Chairperson and Rosa Ruesga as Vice-Chair. And to keep the office term for two years. They will begin their term in 2022. The motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 0 abstention.

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Felipe Muro adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday February 14, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.
San Ysidro Community Activity Center
179 Diza Road, San Ysidro, CA 92173
(619) 424-0472

Submitted By:

Reviewed By:

Approved by:

Mari Jo Ricanor
Recreation Center Director

Erek Estrada
Area Manager

Felipe Muro
Chairperson